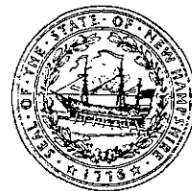




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June 18, 2003

Richard Limoges
Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc.
PO Box 822
Claremont, NH 03743-0822

Re: Administrative Order by Consent Docket No. WMD 03-012

Dear Mr. Limoges:

Enclosed for your records is a copy of the Administrative Order by Consent in this matter executed by Philip J. O'Brien, Ph.D., Waste Management Division Director, and accepted by Commissioner Michael P. Nolin on June 12, 2003. On behalf of the Department of Environmental Services, thank you for your cooperation in resolving these matters. If you have any questions, please contact me at (603) 271-6072, or by e-mail at msclafani@des.state.nh.us.

Sincerely,

COPY
Michael Scialfani,
Legal Assistant

cc: Philip J. O'Brien, Ph.D., Director, Waste Management Division
Mark R. Harbaugh, DES Legal Unit
Public Information Officer, DES PIP
Michael Juranty, WMD UST



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Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc.
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Re: DES Site No. 199105031
Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc.
286 Main Street
Claremont, NH 03743

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

BY CONSENT

No. WMD 03-12

April 25, 2003

A. INTRODUCTION

This Administrative Order by Consent is issued by the Department of Environmental Services, Waste Management Division to, and with the consent of, Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc., pursuant to RSA 146-A:11-c, RSA 146-A:15, and RSA 146-A:16. This Administrative Order by Consent is effective upon signature by both parties.

B. PARTIES

1. The Department of Environmental Services, Waste Management Division ("DES"), is a duly constituted administrative agency of the State of New Hampshire, having its principal office at 6 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095.
2. Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. is a New Hampshire corporation having a mailing address of PO Box 822, Claremont, NH 03743-0822.

C. STATEMENTS OF FACTS AND LAW

1. RSA 146-A authorizes DES to minimize contamination of the waters and land of the state due to improper storage and handling of petroleum by establishing requirements for the operation of aboveground petroleum storage facilities. Pursuant to RSA 146-A:11-c, the Commissioner of DES has adopted NH Administrative Rules Env-Wm 1402 to implement this program.
2. RSA 146-A:15 authorizes the Commissioner of DES to impose administrative fines of up to \$2,000 per offense for violations of RSA 146-A, including any rule adopted pursuant thereto. Pursuant to RSA 146-C:15, the Commissioner of DES has adopted Env-C 615 to establish the schedule of fines for such violations relating to aboveground storage tanks.
3. Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. is the owner of one 41-year old 15,892-gallon #2 fuel oil, one 41-year old 15,985-gallon kerosene, one 41-year old 25,092-gallon #2 fuel oil, one 41-year old 15,882-gallon #2 fuel oil, one 41-year old 15,887-gallon #2 fuel oil, and one 41-year old 16,149-gallon #2 fuel oil aboveground petroleum storage tanks ("subject AST systems") located at Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc., 286 Main Street, Claremont, further identified by the DES site number 199105031 ("the Facility").

4. The AST systems at the Facility are subject to the requirements of NH Administrative Rules Env-Wm 1402.

5. Env-Wm 1402.29 requires that the owner or operator shall perform an initial detailed interior tank inspection of any tank greater than or equal to 5,100-gallons in size when it is 10-years old (20-years old if entirely on cradles), or by April 25, 2002, whichever is later (by April 25, 2002 if of an unknown age). Such inspection shall be performed by an American Petroleum Institute ("API") certified inspector or by a licensed professional engineer ("P.E.") registered in any state.

6. The subject AST systems at the Facility have not had a detailed interior tank inspection performed by an API certified inspector or a licensed P.E. as required by Env-Wm 1402.29.

D. DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS

1. Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. has violated Env-Wm 1402.29 by failing to perform detailed interior inspections on the Facility's subject AST systems.

E. ORDER

Based on the above findings, DES hereby orders Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc., and Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. agrees, to undertake and complete the following actions in accordance with the time schedules specified:

1. In calendar year 2003, Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. shall have the detailed interior tank inspections performed by an API certified inspector or a licensed P.E. for the subject AST systems at the Facility and submit the inspection report to DES within 30 days of the date of the report.

2. Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. shall send correspondence, inspection report summaries and results, and interior inspection certifications signed by an API certified inspector or a P.E. to DES as follows:

Michael W. Juranty, P.E.
DES Waste Management Division
PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095
Fax No.: (603) 271-2181

F. ADMINISTRATIVE FINES/STIPULATED PENALTIES

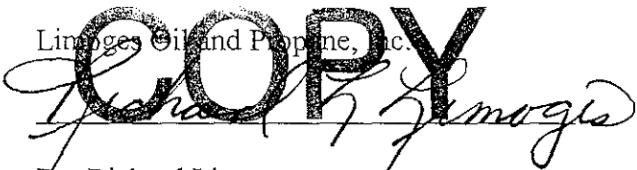
1. Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. agrees to pay a stipulated penalty of \$2,000 per calendar month or portion thereof that compliance with each item in Section E. is not achieved within the specified time. If stipulated penalties become due, payment shall be by certified check made payable to "Treasurer, State of New Hampshire" and mailed to DES Legal Unit, Attn: Michael Sclafani, Legal Assistant, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095, within 30 days of the date of notice from DES that payment is required.

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G. CONSENT AND WAIVER OF APPEAL


1. By execution of this Administrative Order by Consent, Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. agrees that this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc., and agrees that this Order may be entered and enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction.
2. By execution of this Administrative Order by Consent, Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. waives any right to appeal this Administrative Order by Consent provided by statute, rule, or common law, including without limitation the right to appeal to the Waste Management Council, and waives any right to object to the entry and enforcement of this order by a court of competent jurisdiction.
3. By execution of this Administrative Order by Consent, Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc. waives any right to a hearing on or appeal of the penalties specified in sections E and F provided by statute, rule, or common law, and waives any right to object to the penalties in any collection action initiated by DES due to non-payment of the penalties by Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc..

Limoges Oil and Propane, Inc.


By: Richard Limoges
Duly Authorized

5.20.03
Date

NH Department of Environmental Services


Philip J. O'Brien, Ph.D., P.G., Director
Waste Management Division

6/9/03
Date


Michael P. Moran, Commissioner

06.12.03
Date

cc: Gretchen Rule, DES Legal Unit
Public Information Officer, DES PIP Office